

Appl. No. 10/602,117  
Amdt. Dated February 8, 2005  
Reply to Office Action of August 16, 2004

Attorney Docket No. 81788.0250  
Customer No.: 26021

## **REMARKS**

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 16, 2004. By this amendment, applicant amends claim 1 to incorporate the limitations of claim 6 and intervening claim 2. Claims 2, 6 and 14-17 are canceled. Claims 3-5, 7-9 and 13 are amended to correct dependencies. Claims 1, 3-5, 7-13 and 18-20 are pending. Reexamination and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

The Office Action indicates that claim 6 presents allowable subject matter. Applicant amends claim 1 to incorporate the limitations of claim 6 and intervening claim 2. Applicant submits that claim 1 and its dependent claims 3-5 and 7-13 distinguish over the art of record and are in condition for allowance.

Claims 2, 6 and 14-17 are canceled.

The Office Action allows claims 18-20.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California telephone number (213) 337-6700 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,  
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